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I Remember Foggy Bottom

By Mary E. Healy

Mary Healy, Foggy Bottom pioneer and its unofficial mayor, wrote this delightful memoir in 1981 at the request of then Editor Kathy Haley. We are pleased and proud to present it, in parts, illustrated by drawings from early issues of the Foggy Bottom News.

Part I

I remember Foggy Bottom for all of my life (that's getting to be a long, long time). Many of you have read my wanderings around the Bottom in the recent past and as a tomboy of a girl who used to live dangerously by skating from the Capitol to the area around "that old spooky-looking Lying-In Asylum (Columbia Hospital for Women), peeking in the windows of the Bottom's Dance Hall and the Penn Gardens at 21st and Pa. Ave., on the way.

As a young adult I remember riding the street car to the Circle Theatre to see good old-fashioned Westerns and those magnificent love stories of the early years; going to the Washington Auditorium at New York Avenue and E at about 19th to yell and scream encouragement to the marathon dancers; and dancing up a storm 'til all hours of the night on the Roof Garden of the Powhattan Hotel at 19th and Pa. Ave.

Then came the war (don't anyone dare say WWI) and for the next ten or fifteen years after that working all hours of the night, not leaving much time for anything else.

Back in about 1955 I started thinking about the Bottom from a different perspective. My first cousin Anne Nacrelli decided that she was tired of taking care of a big house and was considering buying into a new venture — the proposed Potomac Plaza Cooperative Apartments down in Foggy Bottom at 25th and

Virginia Ave. She convinced me, along with my mother, that I had had enough of lawn care, house painting, oil deliveries and all that good stuff; so I said

I would take a look but that I didn't know about that part of Foggy Bottom. Who in their right mind would want to spend

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Egyptian Embassy Buys Lot at 26th and L Streets

By Jon Nowick

The vacant lot at the southeastern corner of 26th and L Streets—one of the last undeveloped lots in our neighborhood—has been sold again. The new owner is the Egyptian Embassy.

The lot had only recently been acquired by a residential developer, Lawrence Brandt Inc., which was planning to build a townhouse development on the site.

Bob Brandt of this company said that the Egyptian Embassy recently approached it and made it an offer greater than the profits it expected to receive from the development. He expressed regret that it did not work out and said he had been dealing with the neighborhood in good faith.

The attorney for the Egyptian Embassy—Wilkes and Artis—shortly after the New Year said that the Embassy is planning to build a matter-of-right (no zoning variances or hearing required) mostly residential

building for the defense attache's staff.

The project will include a small office on the L Street side, which is zoned partly commercial. The attorney added that ar-

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Trachtenberg to Speak

On Monday, January 30, GWU President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg makes what has become an annual visit to the Foggy Bottom Association meeting. The past year brought plans for major expansion on the campus, ushering in preparations for a significant anniversary for the university. Come hear and question the leader of the academic institution none of us can ignore.



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The Becker Beat

Following a New Year's tradition of tidying at my house, I spent some days organizing the FBA collection of *Foggy Bottom News* since its inception in 1958. One discovery is that although this issue is marked Volume 40, but we have not really been in business for 40 years; the paper is much, much younger than that, only 37!

One discovery I made during my tidying was the name of the person who designed the *FBNews* masthead. I personally have wondered for some time how it came about, and reproduce here the story as related in January 1984, by Debbie Cahill-Zelinka, who was editor at the time.

"One evening last September the phone rang and a man identifying himself as Mark Stafford made me an offer that I couldn't refuse. Mark was enrolled as a graduate student in a course that he very diplomatically refrained

from naming for me at the time, called Problem Solving. Problem Solving is a course which is taught by noted graphic designer Don Lynn and is part of the graduate program in Visual Communications at George Washington University. Students enrolled in the course were expected to select a non-profit organization that needed design help and offer to do some design work for that organization. Mark, who has lived in the Bottom for several years, immediately thought of us and our less than exciting masthead. After a couple of brief discussions with me about the design of the new masthead Mark created the fabulous new look that you see right here."

Even after ten years, the illustration is still appropriate and attractive. My only wish is that there be at least some reference to our high-rises — but you can't have everything. We know about and value those buildings too!

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chitectural plans had not yet been developed and no start date announced.

The State Department's Office of Foreign Missions earlier this month said that it had approved the project to be what Wilkes and Artis represented. It also confirmed that the project would not have to go through a zoning hearing if it is matter of right.

Under zoning regulations, the project may be developed to the size of other matter-of-right buildings on that square, such as neighboring Potowmac Overlook condominium. The site is zoned about half R5D (high density residential) and, on the half closer to L Street, C2C (mixed use commercial).

The neighborhood has been engaged in the progress of this site, including two zoning cases, for nearly ten years. The neighborhood steering group which has been involved in these cases is currently exchanging information and examining options.

The group consists of representatives from the Foggy Bottom Association, the ANC, Potowmac Overlook Condominium, the Westbridge Condominium, the Bader Condominium, and the owner of a townhouse northeast of this site.

If you have questions, suggestions, or an interest in getting involved in this issue, please contact me (at Potowmac Overlook, 1001-26th Street NW) or fellow FBA Board or ANC members.

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First, let me thank the many residents of Foggy Bottom who have stopped by the new church, called or written notes welcoming us to Virginia Avenue. We are grateful for their warm greetings. We also appreciate their support of the way Miriam's Kitchen has been operating.

Your last issue had an article stating that the officers of Western Church agreed to shut down Miriam's Kitchen if another feeding program was started in Foggy Bottom. In fact, we never made such an agreement. Perhaps the author of the article had in mind a proposal presented to the Foggy Bottom Association before we left H Street in which our officers offered to contemplate relocating Miriam's Kitchen if another site was located with facilities comparable to the old church. In followup discussions with FBA officers we detailed "comparable" to be a large room and kitchen where up to 200 people could come inside, remain for an hour or so and be fed. No such site was available then. None is available today.

The expensive (\$346,000 of public funds garnered from the IMF alley closing) van program

established at the request of the Foggy Bottom Association near our former location clearly is not comparable to the facilities in the old or new church. The possibility of a van was discussed and rejected by Western back when the original proposal was being investigated. While the new van program will definitely result in more homeless persons coming to Foggy Bottom at breakfast time with many of them enjoying two breakfasts, rather than one, it will not allow up to 200 people to come in out of the cold for up to one and one half hours as does Miriam's Kitchen. It will not have hundreds of volunteers bringing love and concern into the lives of the homeless. Without the widespread, non-politicized funding base Miriam's has established over a decade of service, the van program does not appear to be financially sustainable into the future. Thus it meets none of the conditions in that now dated proposal.

Like most proposals, our proposal was not open indefinitely into the future. At the time, the proposal was pursued in good faith by both sides. Unable to find a way to make it work, the proposal died a natural death. However, even it were still alive, the conditions remain unmet.

And A Response . . .

This letter responds to the letter in this edition from John Wimberly, current Pastor of the Western Presbyterian Church (WPC). Unfortunately, his letter, like his other letters that have appeared in the last few years in various local newspapers, is replete with errors.

For example, no "public funds" are involved in our new full-service homeless feeding program; in fact, our \$346,000 is a fraction of the nearly \$30 million WPC received from the same source: the International Monetary Fund (IMF). WPC spent nearly \$24 million of the IMF's funds on building a new

Miriam's Kitchen has been operating a safe, sensible and redemptive program for eleven years. We look forward to continuing this life sustaining/rebuilding program for as long as the need exists. The people of Western pray that 1995 will be a year of peace and joy for all the residents of this wonderful neighborhood where we have been privileged to minister for 140 years.

John Wimberly
Pastor

Western Presbyterian Church

"palace" for its small congregation, most of whom live in the suburbs.

Mr. Wimberly incorrectly claims that Miriam's Kitchen has operated a "safe" program. What about the stabbing which Mr. Wimberly admitted to under cross-examination before the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) and the more recent metal pipe/fractured skull episode involving the paid program director? And, what about the considerable record of serious crimes against residents — since the program opened in our densely residential neighborhood — compiled by the community and discussed in our court mediation? Also, D.C. Police Chief Thomas told the Foggy Bottom Association (FBA) that "Crime follows the homeless, no doubt about it."

The bottom line, however, is religion. There is nothing in the Bible which requires a church to feed the hungry on-site. In fact, in testimony before the BZA, we established that almost every church in D.C. that feeds the hungry does so either off-site or in a commercial area. The one or two in neighborhoods have requested and obtained zoning approval, as required in D.C. and other cities. We are a compassionate community but we

also believe that residents in neighborhoods have rights; they have earned a right to live in peace and without fear. We care deeply about the safety of our mostly elderly community, many of whom have become prisoners in their homes out of fear.

In 1992, WPC promised in two letters "to relocate Miriam's Kitchen to another location nearby its present [now former] site" if "the ANC and FBA would find an alternate site." In an August 1994 sermon, Mr. Wimberly stated: "We will not run a feeding program if people repeatedly get harmed. We will not run a feeding program if it puts our neighbors at risk." If Mr. Wimberly believes in the commandment to "Love Thy Neighbor," why doesn't he support our efforts to serve the homeless in a commercial area in Foggy Bottom and shut down his program in our densely residential neighborhood, as he promised? Our intent was to replace the downtown feeding program that the IMF displaced, not to have two programs. The D.C. City Council held up the IMF's request to close a public alley until the IMF funded a replacement program.

Barbara F. Kahlou

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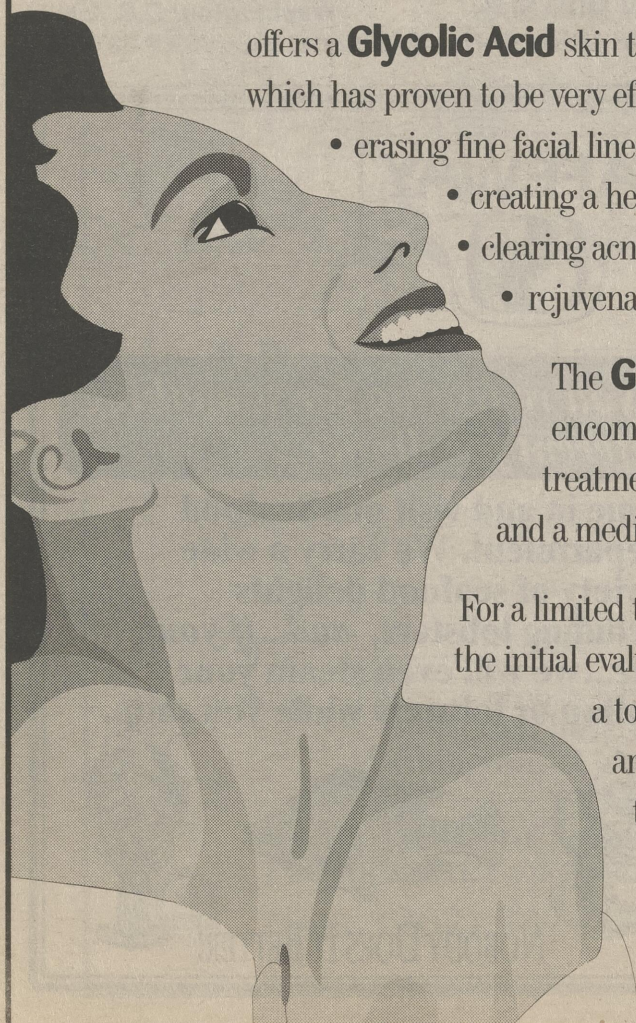
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I Remember . . .

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their hard-earned money to buy an apartment (of all things) down there with all the gas works and its residual smell?

My first look as a prospective apartment buyer was certainly different from my looks on barrelling through the Bottom in my old Pontiac to get to someplace else. All of a sudden, along with the gas works and the breweries and the run-down houses, I saw the ugliness of decay and desertion. Fortunately for me, my experience with building rehabilitation stood me in good stead — I knew what could be done with old things to make them beautiful and interesting once again.

So, after being walked up and down nine floors of open steel structure about ten times by Edmund J. Flynn (the visionary developer of the Potomac Plaza) so that I could "look out the window to see which way my apartment would be facing" and after going over plans with Eddie and Pat Flynn and finances with Paul Clohan I decided to take a gamble. All of us who bought into the Potomac Plaza, the first building in the Washington area to be designed and built as a cooperative, were really taking a big gamble. At that time I had never even heard of a cooperative much less thought of buying one! The whole Foggy Bottom area has much to thank Edmund J. Flynn and those brave first purchasers for — they started the

restoration and improvement of Foggy Bottom; they were the beginning of the lovely area we all enjoy today.

Looking back, when I finally signed on the dotted line, I was really afraid to look around the area too much for fear that I might change my mind — thank goodness that I didn't; I have never been sorry. Mama and I, along with my cousin Anne, moved into the Potomac Plaza in August 1957, being among the first seven to move in; there were no carpets, refrigerators were stacked up outside the front lobby (many disappeared), rats (not just mice - rats) were running around all over the place. Those wharf rats from the river bottom did not like being disturbed one bit! Hungry cats and dogs were wandering all over picking up food left by the workmen and workmen were still crawling all over the building trying to finish up so that everybody could move in. It was no picnic and it made many of us think that we had lost all our marbles moving into this crazy place. Looking back it now seems like fun and those of us still here know that we were crazy like the proverbial smart foxes. Odd how time erases most unpleasant things.

The McLachlen Bank family were original purchasers in the cooperative, both for the bank and their residence. All of us waited anxiously for them to bring some semblance of city life to our area — which they did shortly after we moved in. "Young Tom" McLachlen

used to stand at the front door and welcome us all aboard. And when we got a beauty parlor — Harding's Beauty Salon — we had really arrived. Carl Harding was one of the first advertisers in the *Foggy Bottom News* with his ad: "HARDING — Salon of Beauty — featuring Helene Curtis' new Springtime with liquid hair solution." Can't you see us flocking in?

I started wandering all over Foggy Bottom again shortly after moving into the PP in 1957 and these are some of the things which I remember from my first couple of years in the Bottom: Automobiles parked sky high and knee deep in mud on the vacant lot where the magnificent Watergate now stands; the remains of the Washington Gas Light tank farm; the three houses standing proudly alone at 27th Street at Eye (behind where Howard Johnson's is now), a helipad with a copter whose owner hawked an 8-minute sightseeing trip over Washington (and we thought that thing made a lot of noise in those days, look at what we have now); the Memorial Statute to those who went down with the Titanic which stood at the foot of Virginia Avenue at the river (the statute not the Titanic). That statue now stands in southwest by Harbour Square; wish we had it back, it was a lovely statue.

I remember real estate people and some owners trying to sell me some of the little houses on New Hampshire Ave. and Eye Street for practically nothing except the taxes and me wondering how I was going to pay for the Potomac Plaza much less



buy some broken-down old house. I still have bruises from where I have kicked myself many times over for being so stupid.

I remember Marjorie Hendricks' Water Gate Inn on the Rock Creek Parkway waterfront (such big popovers and such a lovely place for an unusual meal; wish that was back too); the Arena Stage, the Wax Museum and what was left of the Christian Heurich and Abner Drury Breweries and the old Iron Works, along with the memories of the roller skating rink, the riding stables where they had the fattest horses in the world,

my legs wouldn't fit around them — all down around where the Kennedy Center is now. And, of course, I remember the famous Pete Daley's neighborhood watering hole where the lovely People's Life Insurance Building was soon to rise.

I remember the Sealtest Dairy at 26th and Pa. Ave. with all its hustle and bustle and its charity — many a poor person got free milk by going around to the side entrance. John McWhorter, who has worked for the Potomac Plaza since we opened in 1957 also worked for Sealtest Dairy — we still swap stories every once in a while.

Gold's Liquor Store was at 25th & Pa. Ave. where Howard's is now and Abend's Florist occupied two buildings next door. On the other side of the Avenue Frank DeMisa was still busy cutting hair. The LoMedicos were extending the life of our shoes, Columbia Drugs had, in 1958, already been on the southwest corner of 25th and Pa. Ave. for 30 years. In that same block Mellonas' was our neighborhood restaurant and bar, and at 26th and K Street the D & W Market was a favorite neighborhood grocery store with its couple of steps leading up to its front door that someone regularly "fell up."

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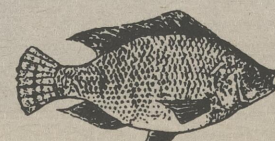
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Comment From the Council

By Jack Evans, Ward 2 Councilmember

Even though we are beginning a new year, I would like to focus on some of the last actions taken by the Council in 1994 during the budget deliberations.

First, the good news for the many Foggy Bottom residents who were concerned about the West End Library. In spite of the difficult fiscal climate, the Council fortunately managed to prevent library closings with an eleventh-hour amendment to its budget work.

Though the library budget will still be reduced by \$1 million, the Council's action, which I strongly supported, added \$819,000 back to the library budget to eliminate the need for library closings. Given the rough fiscal environment, it is all the more noteworthy that the amendment convincingly passed in the Council. Such a result is a clear manifestation of the importance of libraries in the District.

Now for the not-so-good news. The Council was faced with a deficit that had been estimated to be as high as \$450 million in a total District budget of \$3.4 billion. This 13 percent deficit, one-sixth of the way into the fiscal year, presented an enormous challenge to the elected leadership of the District.

In a period of weeks, the Council implemented numerous cost-saving measures, including:

- * Imposing a 10-day furlough on municipal employees;
- * Seeking additional wage givebacks of \$30 million;
- * Trimming \$18 million from the public schools;
- * Eliminating low productivity bus routes and consolidating others;
- * Cutting \$46 million from the Department of Human Services;
- * Decreasing the University of the District of Columbia by \$7 million;
- * Gutting a \$23 million reserve for economic development; and
- * Slashing \$14 million from the budgets of government direction agencies.

None of these decisions was easy. Indeed, most of them required

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By Betty Olsen

Casey's had its Toys for Tots party which is always a BIG success at the restaurant on L Street. Dan Kibler always takes and presents instant photos of the guests with Santa. I have three now that are year-round pleasures for me.

Gia Colombraro is now with Casey's on L Street and Kibler is taking off some time for himself.

Guest Quarters really gets everyone in the mood beginning with a Thanksgiving dinner at their New Hampshire address. It is a spread that almost takes you through the holidays

without eating again.

St. Mary's Court entertained the neighbors too at its annual Christmas party where Santa aka Jack Evans and Mrs. Claus aka Ellie Becker made merry. The Clauses were pictured in January's *Court Cable*. Welcome new resident Verna Dunlop to The Court. Oh, by the way, a sign language class began in the recreation area of St. Mary's Court January 13. It will be held each Friday from 2 to 3 p.m. and you may join in the class. As you remember, Barbara Brunton, administrator there, has always invited all of

a great deal of forethought and will undoubtedly, in the aggregate, cause a fair bit of pain. Nonetheless, given our mandate to balance the District's budget, we had to take these difficult actions.

In the next several years, we need to continue to reduce the size of the government in a careful and thoughtful fashion. At the same time, we need to work with Congress to explore the possibility of federal involvement in certain functions typically performed by states and not municipalities such as the District. These include maintenance of the correction system, payment of Medicaid expenditures and allocation of highway funds, as well as operation of the university and law school.

With a Republican Congress and increasing pressure at the federal level to balance the budget, the District's work, which would be hard in any time, will be even more challenging in the next few years. Nonetheless, with inspired leadership and much hard work, the District can become an even better place to live.



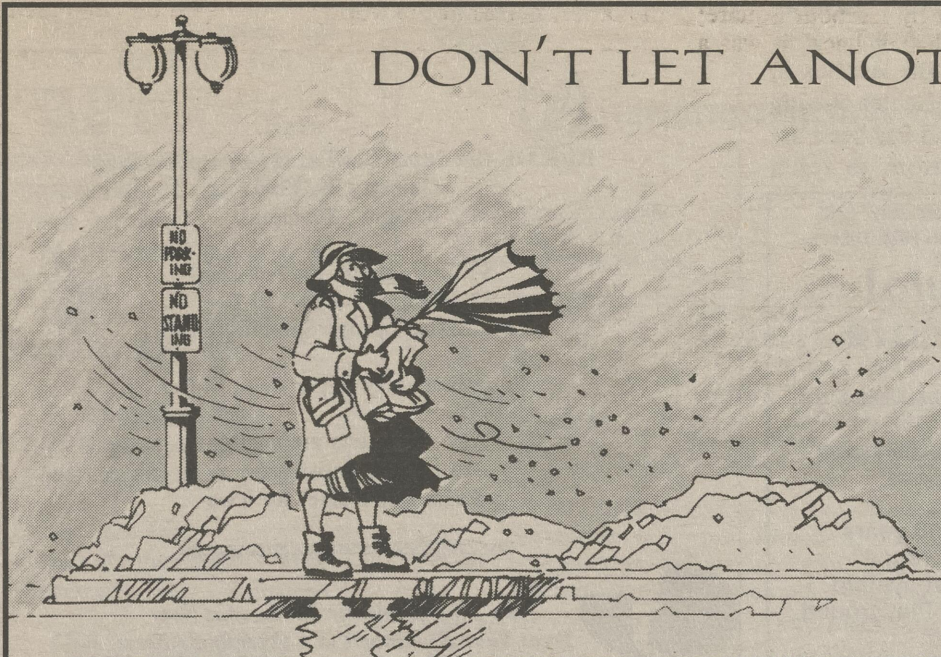
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Francine Henderson was very festive over the holidays at the Charles Dickens' exhibit at Gelman's 2nd floor special collection reception. Henderson is head of the special collections for the library. Lyle Slovak, an assistant, was also entertaining guests.

The Swarthmore held a reception in its newly decorated lobby during the holidays complete with tree and decorations and marvelous food fare by the residents. As their Christmas present, Gina Spellman, building manager, directed everyone to the Swarthmore's new exercise room.

Lorenzo Smith of St. Mary's Episcopal Church was tenor extraordinaire at one of the church's Christmas programs.



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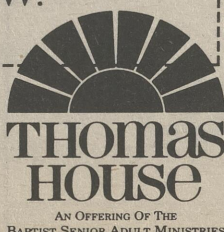
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Sidewalk Talk

By Betty Olsen

Robert Lehrman and wife, Carrie, bought the house of Bread and Chocolate's CEO on Benton Place in D.C. Lehrman is an investor and an heir to Giant Food. He bought the home for \$4,225,000 — got a good buy, huh? It was listed at \$5.5 million. Lehrman is one of the original owners of quite a spectacular residence at the Griffin.

On my answering machine recently was a message from Steve Timlin who had moved to California with his mother not too long ago. Remember they were the ones who lived in Foggy Bottom's White House at New Hampshire and Eye Street? Well, the sad message was that his mother had had a cardiac arrest December 27th and died in a hospital on January 6th. Our thoughts go out to Steve in his loss. Steve's address is: 380 Harvest Lane, Santa Rosa, California, 95401. Steve reported that she was stricken while watching "The Quiet Man" with John Wayne, one of her favorite movies. The holidays found Jack

Batham in Louisiana, Ana Lopez in Florida, Mary Woodruff in Mississippi, Alexandra Blackhurst on Sanibel Island and Judie Thomas and John Bardon in Wisconsin.

Mary and Chris Lamb spent some of the holidays in Rome, Italy. Chris had a business trip in Berne, Switzerland, so Mary met him in Rome for their special time together. The two had been to Rome before but this was for a longer visit.

Didn't you just love the fresh decorations for the season on their new home on 25th Street?

Winifred and David Fothergill-Quinlan have moved from their place at the Bader to a new address, 601 Pennsylvania Avenue, between 6th and 7th Streets, and they'll be missed. The building has a weight room and a roof deck where you can see the U.S. Capitol and the Archives. Sen. Bob Kerry of Nebraska is a neighbor. It is close by so Winifred can walk to her art classes at the Smithsonian and with an early start David can walk to his work at the U.S. Dept. of Education.

The couple wanted more room and looked and looked in the Bottom but then found this place and fell in love with it. It is a four-year-old building. A trip is coming up for them to celebrate Winifred's birthday in Cancun and then their Tibetan trek is still slated in April.

Lucille Molinelli was heard recently as a call-in on the Mark Weaver Show on WMAL radio.

Robin Young moved to a townhouse next to the River Inn around the first of the New Year. Her mother visited to see Robin sworn into the D.C. Bar in January and then stayed a while longer to help hang pictures, etc. etc. Her mother resides in Benton, Arkansas.

First baby in the District was birthed at Columbia Hospital for Women to a couple from Bosnia who had only been in this country a little while. I believe the baby arrived at five minutes after midnight.

L-4 and 46 on "Hit" List

The L-4 bus, which runs on a non-rush hour schedule between Kennedy Center and Chevy Chase Circle, is on the Metro hit list. According to a Foggy Bottom resident, Sally Sherman, cancellation of the bus will deny residents easy access to shops and other facilities along Connecticut Avenue. It is, we understand, the last bus to run to Kennedy Center outside of rush hour, and has been used by some patrons to reach

Puffenbarger Honored by Golden Key

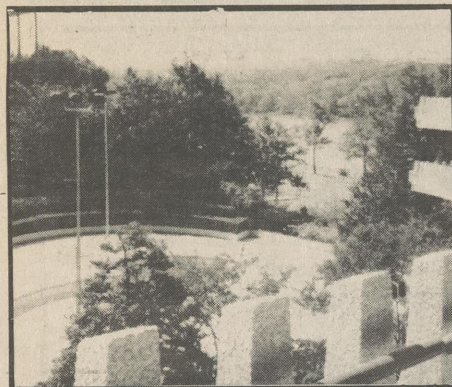
Longtime Foggy Bottom resident Charles Puffenbarger, Puff to his friends, was inducted as an honorary member of the George Washington University chapter of the Golden Key national honor society in a November ceremony. Puffenbarger is an associate professor of journalism at George Washington.

The society recognizes outstanding juniors and seniors for academic achievement and in addition has the opportunity, annually, to choose up to five

faculty, staff or community members for honorary membership. Puffenbarger, one of five selected this year, was chosen for his contributions to the university community and his support of academic achievement. At the ceremony, he received a certificate of honorary membership. The Golden Key chapter at George Washington was established in 1989. The national society was founded in 1977 at Georgia State University.

A graduate of the University of Maryland with a B.S. in journalism, Puffenbarger holds the degree of Master of Arts in history from GW. He was associated with the former *Evening Star* as a reporter and editor, spent four years at the University of Illinois as a member of the journalism department, moved to *The Washington Post* as assistant financial editor and came to George Washington as a fulltime faculty member in January, 1986. He had taught at GW part-time for 14 years while he was still at the *Post*.

Puffenbarger and his wife Susan live on I Street.



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FBA Board Actions

Over the past several months, the Executive Board of the FBA has held regular meetings. We are reporting its actions, and will continue to do so on a regular basis. Some of these are some months past so may seem outdated; we feel it is important, however, to keep FBA members advised. Decisions of an administrative ("housekeeping") nature are not included.

Planned Unit Developments

—Authorized testimony on behalf of the Board in opposition to changes in Board of Zoning Adjustment regulations which would allow developers to proceed with a project during an appeal of a BZA order.

—Opposed proposed changes in BZA regulations that would allow greater extensions of time to complete PUDs and would

reduce criteria for approval of PUDs.

—Filed letter in opposition to an extension of time for the PUD at 26th & L.

GWU Health & Wellness

Authorized President Lamb to testify at hearing on the GWU Health and Wellness Center at 23rd & G Streets, with concerns about legality and appropriateness for site, especially its proximity to St. Mary's Episcopal Church, a historic landmark. (The BZA later denied GWU's proposal.)

Other

—Donated funds to St. Mary's Court for its programs and services operations, due to sharp cuts in their funding, and also authorized funds to help repair the St. Mary's Church piano.

—Decided to send a letter to the Barry Administration transition team offering input on issues of concern to our community, and a similar letter to Representative Tom Davis, new chair of the committee concerned with District matters.

The Executive Board meets each month on the Tuesday before the monthly membership meeting.

Dorothy Timlin Dies in California

Dorothy Jeanette Snyder Timlin, a retired teacher and school librarian, died Friday, January 6, 1995, at Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital in Santa Rosa, California, following a cardiac arrest. She was 84.

Mrs. Timlin lived in New Hyde Park, N.Y. from 1940 until 1960 and in Bay Shore, N.Y. from 1960 until 1989 when she moved to Foggy Bottom to live with her son, Steve Timlin.

Mrs. Timlin was a teacher at Notre Dame School in New Hyde Park, N.Y. from 1952 until 1957. She was a teacher and school librarian in the Copiague Public Schools in Copiague, N.Y. from 1956 until she retired in 1972.

Her husband, Stephen L. Timlin, died in 1985. A memorial service was held at St. Stephen Martyr Church where Mrs. Timlin was a parishioner. Her ashes will be buried with those of her husband in Long Island National Cemetery in Farmingdale, N.Y.

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Items of Interest from the D.C. Register

By Barbara F. Kahlow

Notices of Proposed Rulemaking

- 12/9 Department of Recreation & Parks regarding proposed fees, including for all D.C. swimming pools
12/9 Zoning Commission regarding tolling of time limits of Board of Zoning Adjustment decisions pending appellate courts' decisions ("an applicant or appellant may proceed . . . prior to such final determination")

Other Notices

- 11/11 City Council's 1st and 2nd reading of IMF alley closing bill
& 12/16 City Council's Notice of Implementability of Comprehensive Plan, announcing the National Capital Planning Commission's 11/3/94 redefinition of the Central Employment Area, exempting 5 buildings: the American Red Cross's National Capital Chapter (E, F, 20th & 21st), the Pan American Health Organization's headquarters (23rd & E) & support offices (2121 Va.), the International Finance Corporation (Pa., 21st, K & 22nd), & the Associated General Contractors (1957 E)
11/25 Historic Preservation Review Board's (HPRB) listing of landmarks on the National Register of Historic Places: the Luzon (2501 Pa.) & 3 Mullett townhouses (2517-2525 Pa.)
12/2 City Council's confirmation of HPRB nominees: Gregory McCarthy, Edward Dunson & James Kane D.C. Act 10-365 (change to part-time status for D.C. City Council Chair Dave Clarke), *unsigned* by Mayor Sharon Pratt Kelly
12/23 City Council's confirmation of HPRB nominee Romaine Thomas and Alcoholic Beverage Control Board nominee Dennis Bass
12/30 Zoning Commission's Order for Columbia Hospital for Women's National Women's Health Resources Center, changing land from unzoned to C-2-C

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ANC-2A Actions and Discussions

December 8, 1994

Note: The ANC voted to change their meetings to the third Wednesday of each month.

—At the same time as the meeting convened, the D.C. Zoning Commission was holding a hearing on proposed changes in the D.C. Municipal Regulations regarding Planned Unit Developments (PUDs). The ANC unanimously adopted a resolution generally supporting the testimony being given at the hearing by the FBA. The FBA President then hand-carried the resolution from the ANC meeting to the Zoning Commission hearings.

—Officer Connor, of MPD 2nd District, gave the monthly crime report. The report was generally good. In comparison to 11/93, most categories of crime, including violent crime, were down in 11/94. Theft from autos remained a large problem in the neighborhood. Residents were strongly encouraged not to leave valuable property in their cars.

—After hearing a presentation from IONA Senior Services, and from IONA's Foggy Bottom affiliate, Foggy Bottom C.A.R.E., and after having heard a similar presentation from St. Mary's Court at a previous meeting, the ANC unanimously adopted a resolution making a grant of \$350.00 to St. Mary's and \$150.00 to IONA.

—Commissioner Sara Maddux introduced a resolution, which passed unanimously, to provide the D.C. City Council with the ANC's general sense of the priorities the Council should take into account as it addressed the city's budgetary crisis.

—Commissioner Sara Maddux introduced a resolution, which passed unanimously, condemning the publicity activities of the neighborhood bar "Flicks." Flicks has been papering our sidewalks with promotional flyers. This is unsightly in dry weather, and it is both unsightly and dangerous in wet weather. The resolution authorized ANC Chair Jean Swift to communicate the community's concerns directly to Flicks' management, and to the D.C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, where Flicks' liquor license will eventually come up for renewal.

—Commissioner Ed Kelly provided the monthly Treasurer's report and Financial Warrant. All of the expenses approved by the ANC were unremarkable except for one. The ongoing dispute within the Commission about accumulated lawyer bills boiled over yet again. Eventually the Financial Warrant was approved by a vote of 3-0-1, with Commissioner Maria Tyler abstaining.

—The Commissioners agreed to continue the meeting on December

Art Buchwald - A Smash!

Art Buchwald, our December meeting's guest, was a real hit and an outstanding entertainer. The turnout was great and every chair and space were filled. Art Buchwald is now a member of the Foggy Bottom Association and we are all so happy to have him.

10, 1994, in order to take up approval of the last nine months' worth of minutes. Approval of these minutes has often been thwarted by the dispute about lawyer bills alluded to above.

—Commissioner Sara Maddux was elected interim Treasurer and interim Secretary, in order to "bridge" the gap between this meeting and the January meeting, at which time the new Commission would approve new officers. This was necessary because of the impending retirement of Commissioner Ed Kelly from the Commission.

—Chair Jean Swift reported that the Board of Zoning Adjustment (BZA) had rejected GWU's request for reconsideration of the BZA's rejection of GWU's proposed Health and Wellness Center at the corner of 23rd and G.

December 10, 1994

—Nine months' worth of minutes were finally adopted.

—Due to impending ANC budgetary cuts, the grants approved at the 12/8/94 meeting were suspended, until the ANC has a better idea of the magnitude of the cuts. —David Itkin

Citizens Advisory Council Kicks Off New Year

On January 4, 1995, the Citizens Advisory Council to the 2nd District (2D) of the Metropolitan Police Department started a new year with recently elected City Council Member Kathy Patterson as its guest speaker and elections for new officers. Chris Lamb, Foggy Bottom president, was elected President; Peter Pulsifer, Burlieth Association President, was elected Treasurer; and Kay McClenon from Cleveland Park was elected



Secretary. Lamb and Pulsifer replaced Foggy Bottom residents Sue Schumacher and Sandra Vonetes.

The Citizens Advisory Council provides recommendations concerning police coverage in the 2D which includes the Foggy Bottom and West End area. At the January meeting Inspector Kenneth Hutson, Commander of the Second District, reported that crime in 2D decreased in 1994 by approximately 6.8%; crimes against persons decreased 1.1%; and crimes against property decreased 7.4%. All areas within the Second District, including Foggy Bottom, reported overall decreases in crime. There was an increase in assaults especially at ABC establishments.

The next meeting will be held on February 1, 1995 at 8:00 p.m. The location is the Second District Headquarters at 3320 Idaho Avenue, N.W. The guest speaker will be Ward 2 Councilmember Jack Evans. The public is invited to attend.

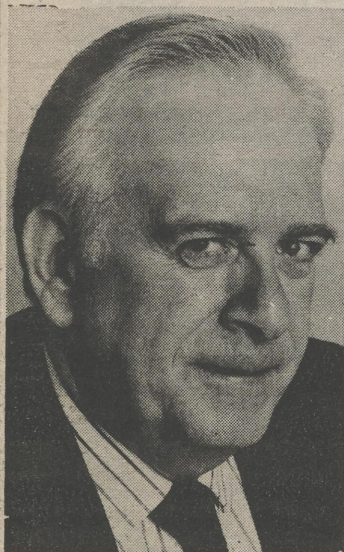
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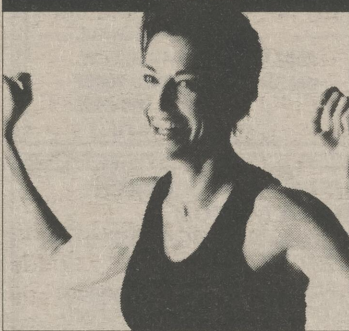
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